

AGENDA

Committee on Ways and Means: Held executive discussion of committee agenda, but made no announcement.

VETERANS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Select Committee To Investigate the Educational and Training Program Under the GI Bill: Chairman Teague announced today that public hearings would be conducted on Thursday and Friday of this week on the administrative aspects of the Veterans' Administration educational program. These meetings will begin at

10 a. m., and are scheduled to be held in room 445 Old House Office Building.

Joint Committee Meetings

LABOR-FSA APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees on H. R. 3709, Labor-FSA appropriations for 1952, met again in executive session to continue working out the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the bill, but did not conclude. They meet again tomorrow.

Wednesday, July 11, 1951

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued work on Interior appropriations.

House worked on amendments to the Defense Production Act of 1950.

Senate committees approved bills on electromagnetic control, lampreys, duck stamps, and resolutions on expenditures.

House Public Works Committee resumed consideration of St. Lawrence Seaway legislation.

Conferees agreed to file report on Labor-FSA appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7932-7941

Bills Introduced: Eleven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1835 to S. 1845; S. Res. 172 and 173.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 950, relative to extending time in which payments are to be made to members of tribes from trust funds held in joint ownership by the Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes of the Wind River Reservation (S. Rept. 541);

S. Res. 147, to authorize the GAO to investigate certain matters concerning funds and securities of Indian tribes (S. Rept. 542);

S. 1166, to create a commission to make a study of the administration of overseas activities of the Government, with amendments (S. Rept. 543);

H. R. 2995, authorizing additional funds for further research and control of sea lampreys of the Great Lakes area (no written report);

S. 1136, to place in the Administrator of General Services responsibility for coordination of certain miscellaneous activities in the D. C. in accordance with a recommendation of the Hoover Commission, with

amendment (no written report)—referred to Committee on the District of Columbia; and

S. 1147, to provide for the transfer of the DP Commission and the War Claims Commission to the State Department, in accordance with a recommendation of the Hoover Commission (no written report)—referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Bills Referred: Forty-seven House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees.

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Condemnation Proceedings: Senate passed without amendment S. J. Res. 82, relating to an amendment to the Rules of Civil Procedure regarding condemnation of property.

Pages 7938-7940

Interior Appropriations: Senate continued work on H. R. 3790, Interior appropriations for 1952, taking the following action on amendments: At request of Senator Kerr, and by unanimous consent, his amendment (to committee amendment) adopted yesterday providing \$500,000 for purchase of electric power and lease of transmission lines, and committee amendment, as so amended, were modified so that the figure will be \$250,000 instead of \$500,000; committee amendment respecting funds for management of land and resources,

Bureau of Land Management, was adopted, after rejection, by 24 yeas to 51 nays, of Ferguson amendment thereto reducing by \$238,304 the sum for such item; committee amendment respecting funds for health, education, and welfare services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, was adopted, as amended, by adoption of Watkins amendment thereto to increase such funds by \$144,750; and committee amendment respecting funds for construction, Bureau of Indian Affairs, was adopted, after adoption, by 40 yeas to 35 nays, of Ferguson amendment thereto to reduce such funds by \$1,683,104, and, by voice vote, Case amendment thereto to reduce by \$352,067 funds in this item for personal services.

It was unanimously agreed that, following vote today on Ferguson amendment reducing funds for management of land and resources, Bureau of Land Management, debate on each amendment to the bill will be limited to 30 minutes, equally divided, and debate on bill will be limited to 1 hour. Pages 7941-7953, 7957-7971

Confirmations: Sixty-two postmaster nominations were confirmed. Page 7974

Nominations: Fifty-one Army nominations were received. Pages 7973-7974

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, Subcommittee on Legislative Appropriations began hearings on H. R. 4496, legislative appropriations for 1952, with Senator Welker appearing in support of funds for equipment for the Senate Office Building; David Lynn, Architect, and Arthur E. Cook, Assistant Architect, and assistants, on funds for the Architect of the Capitol; Dr. Luther Evans, and assistants, in justification of estimates for the Library of Congress; and John J. Deviny, Public Printer, and Philip L. Cole, Deputy Public Printer, and associates, on 1952 budget estimates for the GPO. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture Appropriations continued hearings on H. R. 3973, Agriculture appropriations for 1952, with various "outside" witnesses testifying, as follows: Allan B. Kline, president, American Farm Bureau, and J. T. Sanders, National Grange, both spoke generally on funds for agriculture; Perry H. Merrill and Joseph F. Kaylor, of the Vermont and Maryland associations of State Foresters, appeared in support of funds for the Forest Service; Ray Blake, National Cotton Council, on research funds for the Department; Lawrence Bevin, New Hampshire, on consumer education research; W. V. Lambert, University of Nebraska, and R. F. Chandler, New Hampshire, both for the Association of

Land Grant Colleges, on funds for experiments; Senator Holland, and group, for Orlando, Fla., station; Radford Hall, American National Cattle Association, Oscar G. Mayer, American Meat Institute, and L. Blaine Liljenquist, Western States Association, all on meat inspection; John Breckenridge, representing the California Almond Association, on almonds and walnuts; and Veril Baldwin, National Potato and Onion Committee, on funds for onion development. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—ARMY CIVIL FUNCTIONS

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, Subcommittee on Army Civil Functions continued hearings on H. R. 4386, Army civil functions appropriations for 1952, with the following witnesses testifying in support of funds for Northwest projects, including both rivers and harbors and flood control: Senators Cain, Welker, Magnuson, Dworshak; Representatives Horan and Wood; and a delegation from the State of Washington. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY

Committee on Appropriations: In executive session, Subcommittee on Armed Services heard Rear Adm. E. W. Clepton; Rear Adm. Thomas S. Combs, Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics; Rear Adm. Herbert S. Duckworth, Director, Aviation Plans and Programs, Department Chief of Naval Operations for Air; and Capt. L. K. Reynolds testify in justification of budget estimates for the Navy Department. Subcommittee meets again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued hearings on State, Justice, and Commerce appropriations, receiving testimony from the following witnesses, and their respective assistants, in justification of certain 1952 budget estimates for their respective departments and agencies: Edward W. Barrett, Assistant Secretary of State for Public Information, on Voice of America; Secretary of Commerce Sawyer, on export control, C. D. Curtis, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Roads, on access roads, C. F. Horne, on Civil Aeronautics Administration, and A. V. Astin, National Bureau of Standards, all of the Department of Commerce; J. V. Bennett, Director, on Federal Prison System, and A. D. Vanech, Assistant Attorney General, on Public Lands Division, both of the Department of Justice; and Delegate Bartlett of Alaska on Anchorage jail appropriation. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

WAR DAMAGE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Banking held hearings on

proposed War Damage Corporation legislation with Elmer B. Staats, Assistant Director of Bureau of the Budget, presenting a comprehensive plan for legislation constituting a Federal indemnity program for restoration and rehabilitation of community facilities and services and industrial plants; income maintenance for those insured, and their dependents, and those in want; and for property damage caused by hostile or warlike action. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Committee met in executive session to consider proposed amendments to S. 913, to create a Joint Committee on the Budget. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TAX REVISION

Committee on Finance: Committee continued hearings on H. R. 4473, tax-revision bill, with seven witnesses testifying, as follows: Arthur Elder, AFL, opposed an increase in excise taxes, income-tax rate for single or married income groups receiving below \$3,600, elimination of split-income provision in existing law, increased percentage depletion allowances, application of low capital-gain rates to coal royalties, and validation of family partnerships; Emil Schram, New York Stock Exchange, assured the committee that a higher tax rate and a lengthened holding period will result in less, rather than more, tax revenues from long-term capital gains; John J. Magovern, Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co., Charles G. Dougherty, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., and Willis H. Satterthwaite, Pennsylvania Mutual Life Insurance Co., felt that payments made or received by life insurance companies should be exempted from withholding tax; Charles F. Krug, Mission Corp., favored exemption from withholding tax of dividends paid in the form of property or kind; and Shirley Tark, Illinois Bankers Association, appeared in opposition to tax-exemptions of savings and loan associations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ELECTROMAGNETIC CONTROL, LAMPREYS, DUCK STAMPS, AND TV AND RADIO

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee voted to report, with amendments, S. 537, to provide for the greater security and defense of the U. S. against attack (Electromagnetic Radiation Control Act), and S. 509, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act (to provide 15 percent of funds for enforcement); and, without amendment, H. R. 2995, authorizing additional funds for further research and control of sea lampreys of the Great Lakes area.

The committee agreed to invite Wayne Coy, Chairman of FCC, to come before the committee at some future date and discuss television freeze, educational channels, the Richards case, and the Miami radio station case.

AIR-MAIL SUBSIDIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: R. M. Drysdale, Jr., executive vice president, Federation for Railway Progress, and Mrs. Lucile Keyes appeared before the committee to express their views on the six pending bills to separate air-mail pay from subsidy (S. 1657, 436, 535, 1137, 1756, and 1757). Tomorrow the committee will receive testimony from representatives of scheduled large carriers and the CIO.

ETHICS IN GOVERNMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Ethics tentatively concluded hearings on S. Con. Res. 21, to create Commission on Ethics in Government, after receiving further testimony in support of congressional approval of the resolution from Prof. Jasper Shannon, University of Kentucky, and Eugene Meyer, chairman, board of directors, Washington Post. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

CONSOLIDATION OF APPROPRIATIONS, GERMANENESS OF DEBATE, AND COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee voted to report, without amendment, S. Res. 166, to increase limit of expenditures for hearings before the Committee on Armed Services, and, with amendment, S. Res. 168, authorizing payment from the contingent fund of Senate of certain obligations incurred by the Select Committee on Small Business. The amendment would change dates for the period to be covered to include "after June 30, 1951, and prior to September 1, 1951."

Senators Byrd and Bridges appeared before the committee to testify in support of congressional adoption of S. Con. Res. 27, providing for consolidation of general appropriations bills.

Senator Hendrickson testified before the committee in support of his resolution, S. Res. 158, to amend Rule IX relative to germaneness of debate.

SMALL BUSINESS—DEFENSE MOBILIZATION

Select Committee on Small Business: "Watchdog" Subcommittee on Defense Mobilization announced that public hearings would be held beginning Saturday, July 14, at 9 a. m. in the Federal Building in Detroit, Mich., to be continued on July 16, 23, and 24, under the chairmanship of Senator Moody.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Five public bills, H. R. 4763-4767; seven private bills, H. R. 4768-4774; and five resolutions, H. J. Res. 286-288, and H. Res. 320 and 321, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3144, directing the Secretary of the Interior to make certain construction cost adjustments in connection with the Greenfields division of the Sun River irrigation project, Montana, amended (H. Rept. 693); and

Conference report on H. R. 3709, the Labor and Federal Security appropriation bill for 1952 (H. Rept. 694).

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Defense Production: Continued the reading for amendments of H. R. 3871, to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950, and adopted several committee amendments.

Rejected a committee amendment recommending the dispersal of Government-built defense plants. This amendment was previously altered by the deletion of a provision relating to amortization for tax purposes, when a point of order against the language was sustained.

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Committee Meetings

SUGAR ACT EXTENSION

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed its hearings on H. R. 4521, to extend the Sugar Act of 1948 from December 31, 1952, to December 31, 1956. This bill would also increase Puerto Rico's quota for marketing on the mainland from 910,000 tons to 1,080,000 tons, increase from 6,000 to 12,000 tons the quotas for the Virgin Islands, and increase the participation of the full-duty countries supplying our market, besides containing a few amendments affecting quota administration. The first witness today was Frank C. Staples, vice president, American Molasses Co., who spoke regarding the difficulties with which his company was confronted in its efforts to continue importation of molasses from the West Indies because of the establishment of the criterion of 6-percent soluble nonsugar solids. James A. King, technical services manager of the same company, discussed the use of molasses as a competitor of sugar in the candy and sweet pastry fields. The last witness for the day was Nelson Gammans, chairman of the Dominican Chamber of Commerce of the U. S., who requested more equitable treatment in the amount of sugar supplied the American consumer by foreign producers, especially by the Dominican Republic. Adjourned until tomorrow morning, to hear further witnesses.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Held further executive consideration of title III of H. R. 4524, to authorize certain construction at military and naval installations. This section of the bill contains the requests for authorization of Air Force construction plans. Representing the Department of the Air Force today were John A. McCone, Under Secretary of the Air Force; Maj. Gen. P. W. Timberlake, Director of Installations; Brig. Gen. G. P. Disosway, Director of Training; Brig. Gen. Colby Myers, Deputy Director of Installations; and Brig. Gen. W. C. Sweeney, Training and Programing, Strategic Air Command. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Holifield special subcommittee held further hearings in connection with certain cases in litigation with Federal home loan banks in southern California. Kenneth Heisler, General Counsel for the Home Loan Bank Board, testified again today, followed by Oscar R. Kreutz, executive manager, National Savings and Loan League. The subcommittee continued on the subject in a night session and adjourned until tomorrow morning.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments: Held executive discussion of subcommittee agenda, but made no announcement.

MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: William C. Foster, Administrator of the Economic Cooperation Administration, testified today in support of the Mutual Security Program, which requests an appropriation of \$8.5 billion (\$6.3 billion for military aid, \$2.2 billion for economic aid). Following the open session of today's committee meeting, Mr. Foster was questioned in executive session regarding his statement and viewpoints on the proposed legislation. Adjourned until tomorrow morning, when it will have as its witness Thomas D. Cabot, Director of International Security Affairs, Department of State.

FAR EAST-PACIFIC OCEAN AREA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: John Foster Dulles, consultant to the Secretary of State, met for executive discussions today with the Subcommittee on the Far East and the Pacific Ocean Area, of which Representative Mansfield is chairman.

ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following measures reported to the House:

S. J. Res. 71, to equalize the salaries of employees in the Senate and House Press, Periodical, and Radio Galleries;

H. R. 1038, to provide for the policing of the buildings and grounds of the Smithsonian Institution and its constituent bureaus; and

H. Res. 308, providing for additional compensation to the stenographer, House Sergeant at Arms.

PAPAGO INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Morris Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held a hearing today to consider H. R. 1214, to promote the rehabilitation of the Papago Tribe of Indians. Testifying in favor of this proposed legislation were Representative Patten, author of the bill, and Thomas A. Segundo, chairman of the tribal council. Hearing will be continued tomorrow morning on this measure along with H. R. 1635, to authorize an appropriation for the rehabilitation of the Indians of western Oklahoma.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 3669, amending the Railroad Retirement Act, and will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

PRICE DISCRIMINATION, BASING POINT

Committee on the Judiciary: Celler Subcommittee on the Study of Monopoly Power opened hearings on H. R. 2820, to clarify the right of sellers to engage in competition by meeting in good faith the equally low price of a competitor. Representative Walter, author of the bill, testified today, followed by Stephen J. Spingarn, Federal Trade Commissioner. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Byrne Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee three private claims bills of the House.

Also held a hearing on H. R. 640, for the relief of the estate of John Aubrey Edgington, at which Representative Doyle, author of the measure, and Mrs. Combs, sister of the deceased, furnished testimony. This measure was subsequently ordered reported adversely to the full committee.

FEDERAL PAY INCREASE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued further public hearings in connection with Federal pay increase legislation, and received testimony recommending salary and pay increases from the following representatives of postal and departmental groups: Kenneth

Taylor, secretary, National Rural Letter Carriers Association; Jerome Keating, secretary, National Association of Letter Carriers, accompanied by the first vice president, D. R. Sullivan, and the assistant secretary, R. B. Kremers; Paul Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees; Thomas G. Walters, operations director of the Government Employees Council; Col. Heber Rice, member, legislative committee of the Federal Bar Association; and Robert McLaughlin, national counsel, National Association of Storekeeper Gaugers, Alcohol Tax Unit. Statements for the record were also filed by Milton Kelenson, acting legislative representative, United Public Workers of America; and Thomas Maddock, executive committee member, National Association of Federal Mechanics.

This concludes the schedule of public witnesses to be heard on this legislation, and Members of Congress are expected to testify on the subject when the committee meets tomorrow morning.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Committee on Public Works: Held executive consideration of St. Lawrence seaway-Great Lakes development legislation and agreed to table all but two of the measures which have been introduced on this subject—H. J. Res. 4, by Mr. Blatnik, and H. J. Res. 15, by Mr. Dondero. These joint resolutions will be considered tomorrow morning in an executive session of the committee. The bills that were tabled are H. J. Res. 2, by Mr. Kilburn; H. J. Res. 3, by Mr. Dingell; H. J. Res. 122, by Mr. O'Brien of Michigan; and H. R. 2536, by Mr. Roosevelt.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Mrs. Mary Stalcup Markward, housewife of Chesterbrook, Va., testified at today's hearings, which are investigating Communist activities in vital defense areas. Mrs. Markward, operating as a member of the Communist Party, was an undercover agent for the FBI between 1943 and 1949 in the Baltimore-Washington area. She had previously turned over to that Department a list of members of the Washington Communist units. During questioning by committee counsel she revealed the names and activities of Communist Party district leaders and members located in the Washington-Baltimore area. Adjourned until tomorrow morning to hear other witnesses.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-FSA

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of H. R. 3709, Labor-FSA appropriations. The report will be filed tonight.